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MEMORANDUM FOR: Information Review Officer, DDO

FROM:

Chief, Classification Review Division  
Office of Information Services, DDA

SUBJECT:

State History Office Request on How to  
Handle Agency Documents on Vietnam 1958-69

1. The History Office at State is preparing the FRUS volume for Vietnam for the period 1958-69 on a priority basis. They have collected some material and as they begin the process of compiling it, they have raised a question about how they should refer to CIA documents and correspondence. They put the question to Bill Hamilton, Chief of Administration, Classification and Declassification Center, Systematic Review (A/CDC/SR) who in turn passed it along to us. (U)

2. In response to a previously submitted U.S. Army historical manuscript on Vietnam (Pacification: Managing the Other War), the DO decided that Agency presence in Saigon would be acknowledged for the period 1959 until the evacuation in 1975. We also would raise no objection to the mention of CIA involvement in certain overt programs in Vietnam during that time frame

3. Given the DO guidelines for Vietnam related material as developed earlier, what advice should we now give to the State History Office?

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